RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE EXAMINING GROUP 2431

PATENT

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Girault et al.

Art Unit: 2431

Application No. 10/590,794

Examiner: Michael R. Vaughan

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For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR PERFORMING

A CRYPTOGRAPHIC OPERATION

RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION OF APRIL 2, 2009

Mail Stop AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The present amendment is responsive to the Final Office Action of April 2, 2009. Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.